In the Specification

Please amend the specification on page 12, lines 4-8, as follows:

An enzyme involved in AdoMet catabolism is adenosylmethionine hydrolase (EC 3.3.1.2) which converts AdoMet to methylthioadenosine and L-homoserine. L-homoserine is further metabolized during the biosynthesis of polyamines and ethylene and methylthioadenosine is recycled to methionine. In yeast, a form of adenosylmethionine hydrolase (EC 3.1.1.1) has been reported ~~(http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/htbin-post/Entrez/query (1998))~~ (www-ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/htbin-post/Entrez/query (1998)).